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CUBA.

From Porto Rico—Madrid Advices—Insurgent Operations—Sickness—Insurgent Chief Killed, Etc.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—Advices received from Porto Rico, dated December 30, say: The Captain General of the Island had been seriously ill, but he has entirely recovered. He was poisoned with arsenic, by eating of meat that had been kept in a metal box.

Madrid advices had just been received from New York, that the Cuban Insurrection had been ended by the orders of the Cuban Junta in New York. The news creates a profound sensation.

A body of insurgents are reported moving toward the Canto Abajo region of the Eastern Department. Simultaneously with this movement several well-armed bodies of 200 to 400 men each were sent to the center of the Cinco Villas District. The report is added that these expeditions is to destroy canefields. There has yet been no authentic confirmation of the surrender of the 1,500 insurgents. The Voce de Cuba is clamorous for details but the Prensa is silent.

Much sickness at Meritas is reported.

The insurgents receive no compliments if Gibra escaped in boats to Ragged island and Nassau.

Nothing has been heard of Gen. Pacillo since the 20th of December. He left Nuevitas to go toward Caserro.

The woods in the immediate vicinity of Puerto Principe have been burned down, depriving the insurgents of a place of attack.

Manuel Almaguer, one of the insurgent chiefs, has been killed.

WEST INDIES.

Success of the Revolutionists in Hayti —Opposition to the Samana Lease.

ST. THOMAS, Dec. 30, via HAVANA, Jan. 5.—It is reported that the Cacos are besieging Fort au Prince, and that they have made a breach in Fabre's lines. On the 24th inst. Governor Salnave retreated to Fort Pelion, where he fired the magazine, and, with his forces now, perished. Another report in circulation is, that Salnave has fled to St. Domingo, and claimed the protection of President Baez.

Gens. Coperm and Cobrie have published a protest against the sale of the Bay of Samana to the United States. They are bitter against President Baez.

CHICAGO.

Convicted of Manslaughter—Sheridan.

CHICAGO, Jan. 6.—John Berton, charged with killing James Miller, at the Reform School, by striking him on the head with a whip stock, who has been on trial the past two days, was convicted to-day of manslaughter, and sentenced to one year in the State penitentiary at Joliet.

Lieut. Gen. Sheridan has gone to Grand Rapids, Mich., to attend the reunion of the Second Michigan Cavalry, of which he was colonel—the first and only regiment he commanded during the war.

Memphis Municipal Election.

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CHARLESTON.

Cruise of the Anna—She is Captured by the U. S. Marshal—Another Marine Failure.

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On Wednesday the Anna was taken to the Government dock and put in charge of two U. S. army officers and twenty-five privates who disbanded the ship's company, the passengers and most of the crew taking rooms at a hotel to await disposition of the vessel. There was no armament on board and the Anna had regular clearance papers from the custom-house at New York. Her passengers had engaged passage to Nassau and allege that they were entirely unprepared to make any aggressive movements. The case will be heard in the U. S. Court on Friday morning.

STATE LEGISLATURES.

Missouri.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 6.—Governor McClurg's message calls attention to the peaceful condition of the State, and, in view of this fact, asks the consideration of the expediency of removing political disabilities from those who participated in the rebellion. He does not think it necessary to amend the constitution to effect this, as the constitution now provides that the Legislature may remove such disabilities after January 1, 1871. He recommends that this be made a question for discussion in the canvass next fall, so that the candidates for the Legislature may run, in part, at least, upon this issue. He opposes a convention for the revision of the constitution, but recommends submitting to the people a proposition to allow the negroes to vote, and another striking out the word white from the constitution as the second in each branch next week, so that both Judicial Committees may make a report on it for the guidance of Congress.

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The remainder of the Spanish gunboats which have been anchored off Staten Island for some days got up steam before daylight yesterday morning, and put to sea, followed by the Isabella as a protector. The weather was all that could be desired, and the prospect of a quick and pleasant voyage to Havana was propitious; but the leading gunboat, when three or four miles outside the narrows, sighted a suspicious, rakish-looking craft, which stood in and seemed anxious to come within hailing distance of the fotilla. A hurried consultation ensued between the officers commanding the two divisions and the commander of the Isabella, and the latter showing a decided di inclination to face the two Whitworth rifled guns that might be on board of the stranger, a return to quarantine was decided upon, and the entire fleet, tacking about, set sail for their old anchorage-ground. In order to excuse the sudden move to the sailors and subordinate officers, it was given out that the pilots denied the weather promised to be unfavorable and unsuited to a successful voyage. The vessel lying outside was probably the Cuban ship Bedical, which sailed from this port a few days since. The Bedical and privateer Annie, just sailed from Charleston, will, it is thought, make it a difficult matter for the fotilla to reach Havana, as the latter will hont the aid of U. S. war steamers.

OUR OWN MARKET REPORT.

[Specially Telegraphed to the Courier-Journal.]

MONETARY.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—Affairs in Wall street were quite buoyant to day. Gold advanced to 121¼, and the leading stocks advanced from ½@1 per cent. The money market was easy at 7@7 per cent., currency. The Government bond market was strong and advanced. Money was abundant at 7 per cent. Discounts were freely made at sixty per cent. Foreign exchange quiet at 109¾@110 for 60-day bills. Government bonds active and buoyant.

Gold firmer, opening at 120¾, declining to 120⅛, then advancing to 120⅝, and closing at 120⅜ @ 12 P. M. After the board adjourned sales were made as high as 121⅛, the highest price of the day, declining to 120⅞ @ 121.

The Assistant Treasurer to-day received bids to the amount of $4,376,000 for the $1,000,000 gold on call for sale by the Government, bids ranging from 120⅛ to 120⅝.

The stock market is active in all leading shares. A bull campaign is being arranged by the leading Wall street operators, upon the probabilities of Congress passing a free bank bill, which the bulls say will add one hundred millions to our already inflated currency. On this the street is running up the price of gold bonds and stocks.

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DIVORCE MADE EASY.

Another fraudulent divorce case came before Judge Cardozo yesterday. John Gowan left his city in May last, and went to Europe with his wife. When he returned home he found that he had lost his wife. During his absence Mrs. Gowan had applied for a divorce on the ground of desertion before S. H. Stuart, Jr., as referee, and three witnesses had sworn to Gowan's violation of his marriage vows with one Lizzie Smith, residing at No. 115 Allen street. Gowan had produced proof before Judge Cardozo that no such person as Lizzie Smith, at No. 115 Allen street, was known to the police, and accordingly covered with shifting sand, which is often the case.

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KENTUCKY NEWS.

Col. G. D. Pennebaker, State Agent at Washington, is in Frankfort.

Mr. Henry H. Hill was sworn in Wednesday as Master Commissioner of the Kenton Circuit Court.

A shock quite measurable five feet was killed near Elkton (down on the 20th ult. by Mr. E. B. Herr.

Capt. Robert G. Grundy, a promising member of the Pendleton bar, died on Friday last, aged thirty-eight.

Prof. Benj. C. Tenney, late rector of Christ church, Elizabethtown, has accepted a call to a church in Delaware.

A Lodge of Odd Fellows was instituted at Caverna on Friday last. Grand Master Fry conducted the ceremonies.

Mr. I. A. Payne has been appointed jailer of Bracken county, by Judge Caldwell, in the vacancy caused by the death of Charles M. Stratton.

Henry C. Offutt, of Shelby, his three sons and Mr. Bridges, fed and sold 782 hogs, averaging 335 pounds, upon which they realized an outlay of $20,000, for the round sum of $24,624.

A party of four, Mal Florence and his brother William, and Virgil Scott and his brother, hoisted stakes, bound for Fort Scott, Kansas, on Christmas day, that his life is despaired of.

Jonathan Davis, who was arrested in Covington, on Monday, upon the charge of safe-blowing, was taken to Cynthiana on Wednesday afternoon by Marshal Daily and Detective Hazen, of Cincinnati.

A runaway couple reached Cincinnati on Wednesday from Lexington, and were promptly married. They managed to elude the vigilance of several parties that had been telegraphed to arrest them.

Robert D. Georgeson and wife, of Elizabethtown, celebrated their silver wedding on the 26th. Of the three hundred persons at the marriage twenty-five years ago, five were present on Monday last.

At Carrollton, one day last week, Mr. Jones was thrown from his horse over an embankment, and had his jaw broken in two places. The horse took flight at the sudden appearance of a train of cars.

Jim Price, charged with stealing a horse from Mr. Samuel Duncan, in Logan county, gave bail in the sum of $1,500 for his appearance last Friday to answer to the charge examining court. That was the last seen of Jim.

The Pendleton Kentuckian announces the arrival in that city, on Friday last, of nine professional thieves. The information came to the town pupil have been in doubt lately as to where that class of population most did congregate.

The store-house of Mr. Richard C. Jesse, at Chestnut Grove, caught fire from a defective flue on last Friday night and before the fire was extinguished the roof was entirely consumed. No further damage than this was sustained.

A passenger on a train of the Kentucky Central, a few days ago, named Dr. Gilbert Omohundro, died on Wednesday on his way to Falmouth. The conductor, upon calling on him for his ticket, found him a corpse in a corner seat.

It is understood that application will be made to Judge O'Hara next week, in Bracken county, for a writ of *habeas corpus*, in behalf of Asbury, now confined in jail at Brooksville, charged with the killing of Reynolds, the object being to have the prisoner admitted to bail.

An old man, who died recently near Cincinnati worth forty to fifty thousand dollars, has willed one thousand dollers per year to Mason county, Kentucky, for the benefit of his poor relations, illegitimate children. He was an illegitimate son, and could understand the need of such an institution. He has also willed $1,000 per year to illegitimate children of his own begetting.

At Walker Hill, in Barren county, a few months since, the question, "Are all the human family now on earth descendants of Adam and Eve?" was discussed and decided in the negative by the debating society of that burg. This is an unfortunate decision for the claims of several "descendants" who have been in the habit of tracing their genealogy back to the original settlers in the Garden of Eden.

A disgusting concubinage occurred in Russellville on Christmas day, between James H. Finch, a citizen of Logan county, and Mrs. Wm. Wilson, a citizen of that town, which resulted in the shooting and killing of the former. It was the fatal ending of an old difficulty between the parties. Mr. Lyles and his father-in-law, Mr. T. H. Simmons, charged with being accessory to the killing, were arrested, waived a trial before an examining court, and gave bond for their appearance at Circuit Court.

A terrible coal-oil accident occurred in Shelbyville, on Tuesday night. Mrs. Ellis, wife of Thos. Ellis, poured some oil from a can to start a fire, when the can exploded and the burning oil was thrown over her. Her cries brought to the room her little girl, aged about seven years, and little boy, aged two years. The flames enveloped them, and all of them would probably have perished, had not Mr. E. M. Martin, who was in another part of the house, come to their assistance. The little boy died next morning at 3 o'clock. The little girl is only slightly injured, but Mrs. Ellis was at last accounts in a critical condition.

SOUTHERN NEWS.

The police of Augusta, Ga., are to be uniformed.

Hon. Wm. Markham is a candidate for the U. S. from Georgia.

——— whites were buried in Columbus, Miss., during the past year.

A lath and shingle machine factory is to be established in Clarksville, Tenn.

Mrs. Hunster, a free colored woman of Kentucky, is lecturing in Louisiana.

The Sheriff of Navarro county, Texas, has been arrested for his corrupting illegal registration there.

Dr. Shaw, a well-known physician of Waco, Texas, died on the night of Tuesday, the 21st inst., after a short illness.

Andrain county, Mo., or especially Wilson township, has declared unanimously warfare against the organization of the proposed new county of Orrick.

Dominick McCann, a baker at the Anthony House, Little Rock, shot himself on Friday, as the result of a protracted spree. He leaves respectable relatives at Nashville.

The famous gray horse rode by General Pillow at the battle of Belmont, and captured on a raid by the Federals under Grant, is now at a Memphis stable and advertised for sale.

The fifteenth and eighteenth Missouri judicial circuits desire the formation of a new circuit composed of Dunklin, Stoddard, Butler, Ripley, Carter and, possibly, Shannon counties.

Young Bullard, who killed Doty Gill, at Greenwood, La., a few days since, had his preliminary trial before Justice Crawford the other day, and was admitted to bail in the sum of $3,000.

Rev. Thomas Smith, D. D., for forty years pastor of the Second Presbyterian church, Charleston, was presented by his congregation on Christmas day last with a valuable gold watch, as a testimonial of affection.

Everett & Morris's city goods establishment, Union street, Nashville, was nearly destroyed by fire Wednesday night. Loss $15,000; insurance $12,500. B. H. Stief, jeweler, and A. Iser and S. Lieberman also suffered.

Policeman Yates killed an unruly negro named Frank Kinkead, in Clarksville, the other day, whom he was attempting to arrest. The darkey struck Mr. Y. several times with a stick, when the latter shot him dead.

A letter received from Fort McKavett, Texas, November 27th, gives the news of the death of Lieutenant Captain John W. Smith, Ninth cavalry, who was instantly killed at that place on the day previous by the accidental discharge of a revolver in his own hands.

Henry S. Hysinger, Otto D. Cripper and Emanuel Rosenthal have commenced a suit in the St. Louis Circuit Court against the North Missouri Railroad Company to recover $75 for the loss of some dry goods, shipped on the road on the 27th of August, to be delivered at Humboldt, Kansas.

There has been a great rise in the Edisto. The whole swamp is under water for three-quarters of a mile from the river bank. Mr. J. P. Harley's dam has given way, and the water has overflowed it in several places. The bridges are all badly damaged, though none of them are entirely gone.

On Tuesday night last two men, supposed to be drunken, went to the house of Mr. Reddick Avock, about six miles from Monroe, in Walton county, Ga., and beat him so severely that he died on Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Reddick Avock was ninety-six years of age, and an inoffensive old man.

The Nashville Banner describes two well-defined dead beats—J. Gregory, alias Merrill, alias Ward, and Capt. C. S. Stewart, agents of "the Paris and London Paper Clothing Company" and some sewing machine. These parties, after operating for a brief space in the shadow of the capitol, have disappeared.

At the Nashville fire Wednesday morning the smoke is described by the Union and American reporter as "rolling in dark evolvements" over a portion of the city. Further on he relates that the interior of the building was a "seething hell of flame and smoke." Nothing short of a Nashville fire could reach sublimity so suddenly.

The Galveston (Texas) News says Bishop Shortter, of the African Methodist Church, arrived by the mail steamer yesterday, and will remain several days looking into the affairs of the colored church here. The Bishop will preside over the deliberations of the Conference which meets in San Antonio about the 15th of the present month.

Major William Cathey, formerly Mayor of Meridian, Miss., was struck with apoplexy on the night of Christmas and died in five minutes. He had been impressed for some time previous of the near approach of death, and calmly made all his earthly preparations. He had selected his coffin some months since, and a few days before his death purchased a lot in the cemetery.

Hon. James Burley died at his residence near Moundsville, W. Va., on last Monday night, aged sixty-nine years. Mr. Burley is well known throughout the State as the leading Republican politician of Marshall county. Mr. Burley served in the Virginia Convention of 1861, and, after the passage of the ordinance of secession by that body, took a prominent part in the work of reorganizing the old State Government and forming the State of West Virginia. Since the formation of the new State he has constantly represented his district in the Senate.

In the year 1867, Elam Alexander, an old and esteemed citizen of Macon, Ga., died, and by his will left the residue and bulk of his estate for the purpose of establishing a free school in the city of his residence and where he had accumulated his property. In accordance with his will this school has been instituted and organized, and opens on Monday, the 10th, under very auspicious patronage of Mr. S. Bates as principal and Miss Flora A. Smith as assistant. There are two schools, one for boys and one for girls, and the number of pupils to be received is only limited by the extent of the accommodations.

The San Francisco Bulletin (Republican) throws some light upon the life of Governor Bullock, of Georgia. He says of him that "he is a man of inferior ability and shaky character. A few years ago he was a telegraphic operator at Utica, N. Y., but lacking brains enough to succeed. Losing his situation, and running utterly to seed, he drifted down south, where he led a precarious existence for some years. He became a leader in secret conclaves, and the people, believing that he was a great man and got nominated and elected Governor at a time when carpet-bags and bad whiskey were in a ring. Dr. Edwards, Esq., and Capt. Samuel R. Honey, two respectable and well-known citizens of Mountgomery, Ala., were arrested on Saturday last upon the affidavit of a negro girl named Susan Winslow, in connection with the murder of a man named Echols some three months ago. It was developed in the examination that the charge was false, and that the girl had been suborned to make the charge at the instance of Mr. Echols's step-daughter and Mr. Lawrence, who has been a member of the Legislature, and the supposed murderer of Mr. Echols. The girl has been arrested for perjury, and Mr. Lawrence specified has been committed to jail to answer to the charge of murder. Edwards and Honey were of course honorably acquitted.

The editor of the Corpus Christi (Texas) Advertiser, in an experiment, last week got a dose of the Laredo coal oil from Headen, to see how it would burn. He says that it burns and smells execrable. It burns freely, emits a good heat, and leaves no "clinkers," and there is little or no trouble to manage it, as it is free from any kind of knot. Combined with whisky, it makes a splendid fire. Several who have seen andused coal in the North, say it is superior to almost any used there. If it were generally known that coal brought here at less expense than $1 per hundred, so as its price is somewhere within the range of reason, it would be an immense saving upon the consumption now used.

One of the foulest murders ever perpetrated in Georgia was committed at Dawsboro, on the Macon and Brunswick railroad, Christmas night. A fight took place between the two brothers-in-law in the store of D. W. Lee, who was behind the counter waiting upon them. A gun was fired from the darkness outside and through the door at Lee, who fell dead, exclaiming, as he expired, "Oh!" The customers becoming frightened, ran into the street and gave the alarm. In a moment the store was filled with people, and upon examination their eyes found the body of Mr. Lee with life extinct. Fifteen buckshot wounds were found upon his breast, heart and head. No clew to the murder, or to the motive for the commission of the deed, is said Mr. Lee had not an enemy in the world.

The Great Conspiracy.

This is an age of Horrors. Day by day we see horrors heaped on horrors. We have our Railroad Horrors, Steamboat Horrors, Coal-mine Horrors, our Pantin Horrors, and not long since the world was startled with the announcement of a Carbolic-acid Horror—each succeeding Horror surpassing in tremendous magnitude every Horror that had gone before it. But all these were as a summer-night's dream compared to the Great Republican of the National Debt Horror, an intimation of which we had by telegraph yesterday morning, and the full particulars of which we republish this morning from the Cincinnati Gazette of yesterday.

This is by far the most diabolical conspiracy that has been revealed to a shuddering world since the attempt of Guy Fawkes and his confederates to blow up King James and the Parliament with gunpowder. It is a conspiracy, though, which is likely to be of enormous benefit to Kentucky, Missouri, and the other hemp-growing States of the Union for the quantity of rope that will be required to hang all the conspirators, from Andrew Johnson, Gov. Hoffman, and Frank P. Blair, down to Harlow J. Phelps and Col. Houston King, will be wholly unprecedented in the annals of the modern scaffold. And in—somuch as a citizen of Kentucky has been the first to come forward and make the astounding revelations necessary to the throttling of this gigantic iniquity, in its infancy, we demand, in the name of right and justice and common fair dealing, that the State of Kentucky shall be awarded, at her own price, the contract for supplying the greater part of the hemp. And it may not be amiss to say, in order to avoid any and all national heart-burnings hereafter, that unless this demand is acceded to, we shall feel called upon to take the heads of Kentucky to the shores of the Ohio and wash and wipe them dry of the whole business.

The people of Louisville, and of the whole country for hundreds of miles around here, have suspected the existence of this conspiracy for months, not to go to the seemingly extreme point of saying for years. Their attention was first attracted to the fact that something wrong was going on in the greenback manufactories of the nation by the extraordinary manner in which the whole community was flooded with currency. Turn which way we would, the ten, fifty and hundred dollar bills, all printed from the genuine plates, fell around us thick as the autumnal leaves that strew the brooks in Valambrosa. Time and again have all the banks had to enlarge their facilities for the storage of money left with them on deposit. Everybody who had anything to sell was almost smothered by the wads of shinplasters, great and small, that were hurled upon him by people who had more money than they knew what to do with. The ablest financiers and political economists were invited here from abroad and paid unheard-of sums for their efforts to solve the great financial mystery. But the phenomenon baffled the best of them. Then it was that the people began to suspect that there must be in existence a great and almost universal conspiracy to force a repudiation of the national debt by flooding the country with genuine greenbacks. And now Col. Houston King has nobly come forward and confirmed the damning suspicion by a revelation which makes the blood run cold in every vein of the nation. The sixty millions which the conspirators have already hurled into circulation fully accounts for the turbulent flood of redundant currency which has so long swept over us, making everybody rich as a tenacre deposit of Pactolian sand, in spite of himself.

It is perhaps the greatest pity known to the age that Colonel Houston King went crazy and was sent to jail, upon an affidavit sworn out by himself, before he made a complete revelation. He has revealed much, it is true, but he has stopped far short of the whole truth. He has given us the dead wood on Andrew Johnson, Governor Hoffman, and Frank P. Blair, and has told enough to throw the whole of Tammany into the hands of the law; but the half has not yet been divulged. Colonel Houston King says:

It was of course easy to buy the original plates, but the cost of subsequently to manufacture new ones. This was accordingly done. The original plates were bought—bought from parties in the Treasury. Mr. King implicates in this sale Mr. Gooper, appointed Assistant Secretary of the Treasury by President Johnson. A price high enough was paid for these plates. The society could afford to do it, for Mr. King states that it has now in its coffers no less than $30,000,000.

Of course they could afford to do it, and that they did do it there cannot be the slightest doubt in the world. We remember distinctly when the trade was made and the plates delivered. And this transaction brings into the conspiracy some of the highest officers of the Government, including the Secretary of the Treasury, together with a large number of newspaper editors and newspaper correspondents at Washington! Everybody remembers that some time last year—some eight or ten months ago, perhaps—all the Washington papers and all the Washington correspondents of other papers told us that, having determined to destroy all of these original plates to which Col. Houston King refers, the Secretary of the Treasury boxed them up, put them on a dray or two, hauled them off to the Navy Yard, and there, in the presence of several high officials and other spectators, set fire to the pile and utterly destroyed them all, leaving not a plate to tell the tale. The description of the conflagration, published everywhere, was long and graphic. And now, it turns out that the whole thing was a fraud—that the burning never took place. At any rate that the things burned on that occasion were not the original plates. We have it upon the sworn testimony of no less reliable an individual than Colonel Houston King, late Clerk of the Carter County Court, that so far from having had their plates were then in the hands of the 'Ku Klux Klan conspirators' and were being used in New York to strike off millions and millions of bills with which to inflate the currency and produce repudiation.

All this looks exceedingly ugly for Mr. Boutwell and other officers of the Treasury Department, as well as for the officers of the Navy Yard and the newspaper men at Washington; and unless they immediately come forward and satisfactorily explain the mystery of those plates, common justice demands that they shall be arrested, before they fly the country, and tried for their lives and the lives of their families. If the President and the rest of his Cabinet escape condemnation in this miscreable business, we shall be both gratified and surprised. If, however, they are found equally guilty with Boutwell they must take the consequences. As for Johnson, Cooper, Hoffman and Blair, why —shoot them on the spot.

Duels and Dueling.

In the "good old days," whereof Sir Jonah Barrington is the most approved chronicler, when to hunt foxes and ride races and fight duels and drink oceans of hot whisky punches were the essential marks of a "fine old Irish gintleman," and it was a positive luxury to pluck your man before breakfast, there existed a Code of Honor so bloody and so brutal that it came into discredit even among the people of Galway, where it had most partisans. It was superseded by an English code, which was a trifle less barbarous. This was finally modified by the importation of the broadsword and rapier from France and Germany; but in America during the last half century the code of South Carolina, which obtained a sort of middle ground between the Saxon and Creole codes, has prevailed.

Originally, however, there was no code at all. A duel was a duel. Seclusion was considered necessary to its perfection, and seconds were unknown to it. At length a third party, as umpire, was admitted, and ultimately "friends," or "seconds," were introduced, till of late years it has not been unusual for great numbers of people to be present. But in England and in Germany, where the highest standards of law and cultured etiquette and where society has reached a degree of conventional order most ardently sought by all civilized peoples, the duel has become not only obsolete but disreputable.

The reason is obvious even to those who hold that, if men must fight, it is better to fight like Christians. Duels, which were originally most sanguinary and disastrous, gradually came to possess fewer terrors until they were made light of and laughed out of fashion. And, as the law grew to be more popular by giving greater protection and securing more safe satisfactory redress, and as gentlemen themselves observed a more courteous demeanor toward one another, the desire to refer differences of a personal nature to the arbitration of deadly weapons decreased as the occasions became less and less frequent. Thus a duel in Europe, outside of a doubtful class in France, is an extraordinary occurrence. Real insults are taken before the courts, where they properly belong. Fanciful injuries are disposed of by friends. Harsh language, born of sudden passion, is almost unheard, and when heard is seldom heeded. This is the practical result of civilization joined to the indust lalism which rules the present course of most men's thoughts and actions.

In certain parts of our own land the duello still resorted to in extreme cases. But the combatants are generally to be found amongst the younger members of society. Wherever age and experience, contributing recognized courage to undoubted reason, are allowed to intervene they have succeeded in staying bloodshed and preserving, in part at least, laws which do not lack in explicitness and rigor. But laws are the creatures of public opinion. No one within our memory has been successfully prosecuted for murder, although many lives have been sacrificed under the Code of Honor; and we doubt whether, in the existing state of popular sentiment, successful prosecutions would amount to much. The war, which developed personal courage in uncommon measure and illustrated it beyond the possibility of suspicion by so many thousands of examples, did much to moderate the dueling proclivities among us. A man is of course less sensitive when he feels that his antecedents place his courage beyond the shadow of question. Men too who have survived the perils of battle and the display of individual valor upon a somewhat lower scale. An anecdote is told of Governor Scott the old Indian fighter, which exemplifies this. A challenge being placed in his hands, he carefully read it over and begged leave to tear it in pieces. The bearer said, "Well, Governor, what are you going to do about it?" The Governor said quietly, "You see what I'm doing." "Why, don't you intend to fight?" "No." "Then he'll post you." "What me? how post me?" "Post you as a coward." The old Governor, who was universally recognized as about the bravest man of his time, rose to his feet and, with double vidce and flashing eye, replied, "If he does he'll post himself as a *Goddamned liar*."

But, where dueling is sanctioned and the opinion of a man's personal courage interestingly into the popular view of his character, it requires either a very palpable record or a very strong moral sense to decline a challenge. Almost every man entertains pretty much the view of the duel in the abstract which we have expressed. Men who have often fought ducks have only reprobation to offer for dueling. Governor Henry S. Foote once said: "I have had thirty-one personal encounters, and I give it as the experience of my life that there were but two of the thirty-one that might not have been avoided with perfect honor to every one concerned."

This may be said of ninety-nine out of every hundred that are fought or dreamed of. They are almost always the fault of sudden passion rather than willful injury, but in either case the remedy is easy. The highest honor is that which repairs its wrong-doing and recalls its hasty words. Next to this the finest chivalry is that which is so cultivated by manly generosity and grace that it never gives offense. This should be the aim of gentlemen everywhere, for it is the true test and standard of a thoroughly godlike manhood.

For all our pride and vanity and contentment, none of us can pretend to be perfect even as gentlemen. The very best of us are often as coarse as the very worst. But there is no drop of human blood that is not more precious than the gratification of all our passions, after they have been gratified, and it may be doubted whether a life was ever sacrificed to rude words and angry impulses that did not leave in the mind of the survivor a wish, which he would give the world to realize, that he had been spared so great a calamity. Those who fight duels are chiefly of the youngest and the gallantest; which lives just opening into avenues of happiness and promise; with new-created dependencies and tender hopes following their foot-steps; with loving hearts of women and little children looking fondly to their going and their coming every day. Considering these things, and reflecting upon the cruelty which can plan and carry out a scheme for their destruction, one is led to wonder how brave and rational men, who are daring in battle and gentle by the fire-side, can be so seduced by anger and by vanity as to be blunted to every other emotion, suffering a few words spoken in a moment to blot the very souls out of countless existences.

Perhaps it is the devil within us working in the name of honor, which is to men what chastity is to women; but it is also due, in greater part, to the disordered state of public opinion, which not only tolerates but to a certain extent encourages dueling. This needs to be reformed altogether; and, while discussing current social evils, the clergy and the press might devote a little of their time not unprofitably to the work of impressing upon young men the power and value of mind over muscle; of extolling moral and intellectual culture over merely physical courage; of urging the blessing and the beauty of that self-restraint in all things, but particularly in our personal intercourse, from which breeding and refinement flow. Courage in self-defense, courage on the field, courage in doing right, cannot be commended too highly. But, after all, courage belongs to our natures and will be pretty sure to take care of itself without much care on our part. That is a doubtful courage which needs to be trained and tended. Courage needs to be restrained constantly; and, not being a thing to be used every day, it should be considered subordinate to that culture which is of every-day familiarity and value, and without which, were each of us as brave as St. George and the dragon, we would be but brutes indeed.

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☞ In a recent speech before the Woman Suffrage Convention at Concord, N. H., Mrs. Livermore, of Chicago, said: "I know women who could stop Horace Greeley out of his boots, clean." Then Mr. Livermore should produce the women and let them do it. When it is done, Horace will find himself clean for the first time in his life.

☞ Mrs. Livermore, the Chicago champion of woman suffrage, declares that "the country is to-day in the hands of dirty political hacks, who do nothing but feather their own nests." You can't fool these strong-minded women. They know just as well what sort of hands the country has fallen into as the rest of us do.

☞ We have on one or two occasions expressed the conviction that after Gen. Grant the next best man for the Radical party to nominate for the Presidency in 1872 is the Cardiff giant. The assurance from the New York papers that the Cardiff giant is a humbug only serves to deepen that conviction.

☞ In his message to the Colorado Legislature, day before yesterday, Governor McCook recommended female suffrage. It is astonishing how many of Grant's appointees turn out to be either knaves or fools.

☞ John McCoole has been elected to the Minnesota Legislature. "He's brother's name is Mike," the pugilist.

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☞ The assignee's closing sale of tobacco at the store of Messrs. A. L. & G. Robinson & Co. takes place this day, Friday, Jan. 7th, 1870, at 10 o'clock.

Removal.

The business of A. Steinau & Co. has been removed from No. 121 Third street (formerly Julius Wellman), to No. 155 Fourth street, between Jefferson and Green, under U. S. Hotel.

☞ The auction sale of clothing, &c., in the store of L. Schreckenbaum, deceased, Market street, between Eleventh and Twelfth, will be continued during this day.

☞ Furniture buyers and housekeepers, your especial attention is called to the sale of elegant furniture on Monday in auction column.

Hegeman's Genuine Cod-Liver Oil.

Our Cod-Liver Oil is warranted pure Newfoundland oil. It has stood the test of twenty years' experience, and can be relied upon in every particular. The uniform good quality of our oil has given it the preference over the nauseous brands in the market and has elicited the highest commendation from eminent physicians. Manufactured only by Hegeman & Co., New York, and sold by all druggists.

☞ Whitman's new confectionery and chocolate establishment is located southwest corner of Twelfth and Market streets, Philadelphia. The most extensive works and the finest goods in the United States.

☞ J. H. Montgomery, merchant tailor, No. 91 Jefferson street, between Third and Fourth, is daily receiving a large stock of fall and winter goods, bought cheap for cash. Call and get a handsome suit cheap. A perfect fit is guaranteed in every case.

Louisville Real Estate Bulletin for January.

This large monthly journal, published by Morris, Southworth & Co., is ready for distribution. Copies can be had at their office, 64 and 66 West Jefferson street, free of charge.

☞ Wintersmith's Tonic Syrup or Improved Chill Cure is meeting with extraordinary success. It never fails when properly taken to cure the most obstinate case of fever and ague. For sale by all druggists.

Texas.

The Lone Star State heard from. An unexpected letter from Judge George W. Wright, one of the oldest and most prominent citizens of Texas, a man of sterling worth and general influence throughout the State; one of her representatives in her Congress when she was a Republic, and one of her legislators as long as she was a State under the old regime:

PARIS, TEXAS, Oct. 25, 1869.

Messrs. W. H. Walker & Co., Louisville, Ky.:

DEAR SIRS—Permit me to say that I have thoroughly tested your Tonic Bitters, and take great pleasure in recommending them to all persons afflicted as I have been. For the last six years I have been seriously afflicted with dyspepsia, accompanied with vertigo, which totally disqualified me for the discharge of my duties as a Judge. Under this condition of my condition, recommended your Tonic Bitters, and commenced the use of them about the first of May last. I have been steadily improving ever since, and although I am seventy years of age, I feel as well as I ever did in the prime of my manhood. I do not hesitate to say that I have been able to attend to my line of business. I take pleasure in recommending them to all persons who need a tonic, believing that they will do as much for others as they have done for me.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

GEORGE W. WRIGHT.

LOCAL NOTICES.

Important.

You who are diseased in the urinary organs, especially aged persons, use Dr. Crook's WINE OF MILHAU'S GOLDEN CODLIVER OIL. With Hypo-phosphite of Lime, a great improvement; made with the best oil known; it unites efficacy with pleasant taste and easy digestibility. Sold by all respectable druggists.

J. MILHAU'S SONS,
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☞ W. J. Kinsella's dry goods store, on Market street, above Preston, is the place to buy nice very cheap and no price. Call and see them this week, as the prices are reduced on the entire stock.

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Testimony of a Physician.

NEWBURG, IND.

I have been selling Wintersmith's Worm Candy or Santonin Lozenges, and those alone, for a half a year, and have no hesitation in saying that I have so far reported it as being superior to anything of the kind ever used by them. I cheerfully prescribe it as the most convenient and satisfactory way of using santonin.

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MARRIED.

CREEL—THOMPSON—On the 16th inst., at the residence of the bride's mother, in Shelby, by the Rev. James M. Pucket, Mr. Nicholas Creel to Miss Elizabeth Thompson.

DIED.

GAY—In this city, on Thursday, Jan. 6, 1870, at o'clock A. M., Mrs. Eliza Gay, aged 63 years and months.

Her friend will take place from her husband's residence, on Jefferson street, between Fifth and Adams, this day (Friday) at 2 o'clock P. M. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

IMPORTANT FACT.

We can state that persons of strong constitutions and young children are daily gaining on the bloom, loss of appetite, and fever, who suddenly get well after a colic followed by slimy, bilious stools. The relief is astonishing, and convinces at once. It is a sure guide to the idea and practice of purgation, and which, when enforced by Brandreth's Pills, always benefits, usually cures and often prevents disease, especially Scarlet Fever and diseases of similar character.

I. L. Cook, publisher of the "State Banner," Bennington, Vt., says Brandreth's Pills cured him of dyspepsia after having been afflicted with it for years. His friends and doctors considered his recovery impossible, but six boxes of Brandreth's Pills restored his health perfectly.

A young lady of Mount Pleasant was sorely troubled with dyspepsia. All science and medicine failed to help her. She had no rest. Pain, careworn, and unhappy, she looked the picture of misery. At last she concluded to try Brandreth's Pills. In one year she found herself entirely cured. They brought away, according to her computation, over two hundred yards of tape worm. At length all her bad symptoms left her; she slept and ate naturally, and her health became fully restored.

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Let Common Sense Decide.

What is the rational mode of procedure in cases of general debility and nervous prostration? Does not reason tell us that judicious stimulation is require?? To resort to the lobelia and tobacco in such a case is absurd as it would be to bleed a starving man. Yet it is done every day. Yes, this stupid and unphilosophical practice is continued in the teeth of the great fact that physical weakness, with all the nervous disturbances that accompany it, is more certainly and rapidly relieved by Hostetter's Stomach Bitters than by any other medicine at present known. It is true that general debility is often attended with torpidity or irregularity of the bowels, and that this symptom must not be overlooked. But while the Bitters promptly overcome this, they do not stop there—they regulate, its vigor must be recruited. The bitters do both. They combine aperient and antibilious properties with extraordinary tonic power. Even while removing obstructions from the bowels they tone and invigorate those organs. Through the stomach, bilious which the great vegetable specific acts directly, it gives healthy and permanent impetus to every enfeebled function. Digestion is facilitated, the faltering circulation regulated, the blood reinforced with a new accession of the elementary principles of nutrition, and all the dormant powers of the system roused into healthy action; not spasmodically, as would be the case if a mere stimulant were administered, but for a continuance. It is in this way that such extraordinary changes are wrought in the condition of the feeble, emaciated and nervous invalid by a course of this wonderful corrective, a tentative and tonic. Let common sense decide between a preparation and a prostrating cathartic so pioneered by a poisonous astringent like strychnine or quinia. jan 6cod&wlw

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This splendid hair dye is the best in the world, the only true and perfect dye—harmless, reliable, instantaneous; no disappointment; no ridiculous tints; remedies the ill effects of bad dyes, invigorates and leaves the hair soft and beautiful, black or brown. Sold by druggists and perfumers, and recently applied at Batchelor's Wig Factory, 16 Bond street, New York. ly dec29

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LECTURES.

Good Templars' Lectures—No Postponement.

As it knows, the lecture of Mr. J. J. Talbott did not come off on Friday night, owing to the severe misunderstanding the hour. The lecture will positively be delivered on Friday, the 14th inst., at the Chestnut-street Baptist Church, between Ninth and Tenth, at 7½ o'clock. Those who missed the 7th both—and his friends can be informed by those who—need no assurance from us that the lecture will be one of the most entertaining ever delivered in this city. The friends of the cause, the members of the Order,

Courier-Journal.

FRIDAY MORNING, JANUARY 7, 1870

ROUND-ABOUT.

I.

Cuba.

The manifesto of the Cuban Junta in New York to the American people comes to us in full. It is a clear and concise statement of the present condition of the patriots and a refutation of the slanderous attack on them by the Spaniards, who, in order to bolster up their own failing cause, have extensively circulated fabrications about the Cubans as being about to surrender, through the orders of the Junta. No such order, it seems, was issued. From this document the organization of the army and provisional government is gathered, and the names and number of the patriots indicated. The chances of the Cubans holding their own would appear to be very good. Meanwhile Spanish reinforcements are arriving, and preparations for active campaigns are being rapidly pushed forward, and our Government is still undecided in its policy towards the Oppressed people struggling for nationality."

II.

Joint Stock Enterprise.

One of the signs of the universal distrust men now have of one another abroad is the decline of commercial companies in Great Britain, and it is rapidly extending in this country under the influence of the defaulting cashiers and Wall-street speculations. Commercial immorality is declared to be frightfully on the increase. Mismanagement and defalcation have destroyed confidence in men long regarded as honest, and old institutions so time-honored as to be considered above suspicion. The extravagant and luxurious habits which have of late years fastened upon all classes have not been escaped by men in positions requiring unimpeachable integrity, and the Folly of living with men whose women now is living beyond their means. Hence crime comes in and puts the finishing touch to careers which might have continued honorable to the end, with a little self-control and conscientious economy.

III.

The Coming Census.

The knell of New England supremacy will be sounded by the coming census. Its political power will be reduced in Congress, while that of the South and West will be increased. If the present apportionment is continued in force, the New England States will lose six Representatives, the Middle States seven, while the Western States will gain fourteen and the Southern States four. In order to prevent this, an effort is being made to increase the number of the members of Congress to three hundred. The political sceptre, though, is about to depart from the land of farms, and be transferred to the South and West. Of all the blows that could befall the Wilsons and Sumners, the Boschers and Frothinghams, this is the most to be dreaded. With the decrease of population in New England and the decay out of Puritanism, peace and piety will once more be the order of the day.

IV.

A Carnival of Crime.

Nothing gives a better idea of the moral condition of the country than a glance at the criminal records of the principal cities. Every possible variety of crime is committed, the worst ones being in the majority. The late defalcation mania has been followed by the most shocking atrocities in various cities, growing out of the unlawful and immoral relations of the sexes. What the end will be succeeded by it is difficult to say. Perhaps another turn of the screw of crime will bring out something new and startling instead of the same round of murders, suicides, &c., &c. In the meantime, the law is in too many cases a dead letter, a sensational, morbid interest and notoriety is created, and the criminal, through carefully-manipulated public sympathy, escapes the punishment due. The public mind is becoming so familiarized with the disgusting particulars of crimes which formerly were never even mentioned as "fit for ears polite," that it will be a miracle if in twenty years there is an honest man or woman left in this young and morally rotten republic, if it continues so long under Republican rule.

V

The Wall of the Suppressed.

The groan which was heard the day after New Year's, and supposed to have proceeded from the bosoms of the married folks, has thrilled a responsive chord in "an old married man," who very cleverly and humorously accounts for the small figure cut by the married in comparison to the unmarried ogle in society. Standing as a mere "lookers-on in Vienna," between these two acrimonious elements, each of which regards the other as its natural and accepted enemy, we fain would play the mediator and compromise this unhappy enmity and establish the "*entente cordial*" between the high contending parties. The young people should not elevate their noses too high at the married people, for they themselves may be fast hastening to that bourne from which no traveler ever returns, and may in their turn be snubbed by the coming young people. They had better make the best terms they can with the married folks, in view of their possibly ending their present ways in the "giddy dance" as engaged, labeled, mortgaged, pigeon-holed, married, dropped. The married folks, being the heads of houses, and holding the keys of the pantry and bank-box, those specials in which the munitions of parties, Germans and soldiers are stored, are enabled to carry on a "short, sharp and decisive" war, and, by cutting off the supplies of the young people, force them to surrender and be paroled not to encroach on the high prerogatives of the dormant leaders of society, who, although married, are still forcible when they choose to exercise their power.

PERSONAL GOSSIP.

EUGENIE'S ORING-OUTANG has the measles.

DR. CHARLOTTE LOZIER, of Iowa, is dead.

"TIME," says Horace Smith, "is the veiy likely that carries everything into nothing."

THE patent divorce man has opened an office in New York—a branch of the Chicago concern.

BUCKSHOT, the Sleepy Hollow murderer, rouses food, and won't talk to his counsel. Is playing insane, won't talk to his counsel.

A SON of the late Mme Gi ad is in the East Indies, and is a lieutenant in the British army. His name is Count Mario di Cnstia.

MR. MCFARLAND'S EXCITEMENT is to seek refuge in a Sub-Treasury sinecure. A new cure for old wounds.

"THE BUSYBODY" is the name of a play now running in New York. The original is bright June days, whose sunny rays of light had been caught in the meshes, and were content to go no further." After this, to talk of Marie being tied in the knots of bonnet strings, or caught in the tangled meshes of golden hair, will not express the idea of the per'od.

THOMAS CRESWICK, R. A., is no more. A cable dispatch from London brings us the intelligence of his death on the 1st inst., and his burial at Bernal Green. He was born at Sheffield, in 1811, and studied art first at Birmingham, and subsequently at London, at which latter place he settled and ever after resided. In 1838 Mr. Creswick first appeared as an exhibitor at the Royal Academy, his pictures, which embraced views in North Wales, in Derbyshire and on the Wye, attracted immediate attention for the high artistic skill displayed in their execution. They gave him a reputation at once, which in after years he greatly improved upon. In 1842 he was elected an Associate of the Royal Academy, and in 1851 became a Royal Academician. Among his most noted works are "Home by the Sands," "A London Road a Century Ago," "The Weald of Kent," and others. He also painted an extensive series of pictures for the Messrs. Grandy, of Manchester, the subjects being chosen from the scenery of North Wales. They were executed as companions to the series of "Lake Scenery," painted by Pyne for the same parties. Although not ranked as the greatest of living Br. ish artists, Mr. Creswick held a very conspicuous position in the world of art.

THE New York Times of the 4th says: "A man calling himself Colonel Houston King was brought before Commissioner Shields yesterday afternoon, on a charge of conspiracy to defraud the Government. The story which was told about him by the officers having him in custody has a very extraordinary character. It appeared that in July last he visited General Huckebooper, District Attorney at Cincinnati, and informed him that a stupendous plot existed throughout the country, which had for its object the repudiation of the national debt. He mentioned that the means by which this great undertaking was to be accomplished was to flood the whole country with an amount of counterfeit Treasury and national bank notes equal to the whole debt, and thus endeavor to destroy the Government credit. He subsequently told the same story to other public officers at the West, and it was finally transmitted to the Treasury Department. Acting under instructions from Washington Col. King organized bands of the most expert revenue detectives in Ohio and Kentucky, some to this city last week for the purpose of secu ing the plot if there was any truth in King's statements. He selected this city as the place for his wiggling the cheese, as it was at it was to be the headquarters of the attempted repudiation. King accompanied him here, together with a Kentucky lawyer named D. J. Fison, with the intention, as he claimed, of aiding in the capture of the chief counterfeiters, and the bank-note plates by which the session. After its arrival here Col. Whitley, of the secret service, and Col. Hogeland, received information which led them to believe that King was a lunatic. They su sequently found papers and notes in his possession which corroborated their suspicions. He will be detained in this city for a day or two in order to give his friends an opportun ty to remove him to his residence in Elliott county, Ky."

THE STATE CAPITAL.

No More Whipping—A Protest from Kentucky—An Obscure Slip—The Interest Bill—The Lunatic Asylum Tapers—Revision of the Constitution —Tobacco Inspection, &c., &c.

[CORRESPONDENCE OF THE COURIER-JOURNAL.]

FRANKFORT, KY., Jan. 6, 1870.

Every train arrived since my last letter has brought with it its modicum of legislative wisdom, and, per consequence, the attendance in both Houses this morning was very fair—numerously speaking, of course.

THE LEGISLATIVE EXCHANGE.

On a former occasion your correspondent spoke of the extensive rotunda of the Capital Hotel as a sort of recognized legislative exchange, whereat, on each evening of the session, the Solons of the Legislature do most congregate for the purpose of mutual conference—not to say canvassing. That spacious apartment is, in short, the place where the legislative pulse may be felt in more respects than one, and it was, therefore, on looking through it last night, very well ensured that there could be no danger of a want of a quorum either in Senate or House of Hours and Days—which by the way, let me remark, that Captain Moffitt is by all odds the most popular of landlords I have ever known in Frankfort, and that under his intelligent and judicious management the Capital gives perfect and entire satisfaction to all the guests.

STRIPES AS A PUNISHMENT.

Judge Pinster, of Mason, has longcontertained the abolition of whipping as a punishment in this State, and has made a sword of pet measure, and I am pleased to say that he is at length likely to succeed in the accomplishment of his laudable undertaking. This morning, when the roll was called, I was on the special order for the 12th and which I have very little doubt will pass, that provides for the substitution of hard labor in workhouse or county jail for not less than one nor more than six months in all cases where whipping is the punishment affixed. To have such punishments existing in the midst of a civilized community, we have fallen upon evil days, when remons rance on the part of those who are using the old Constitutional Government and to the memory of the fathers, seems but to have the effect of urging on traitors and cowards, as to greater enormities.

REAL ESTATE OF NON-RESIDENTS.

A member of the House who is noted for attending to the wishes of his constituents—I refer to Jr. Glass, of Henderson—rose in his place this morning and presented the petition in receipt of a communication from a citizen of his county requesting certain legislative action, the purport of which he briefly explained by a newspaper slip, which was inclosed, and which he asked might be read by the Clerk for the information of the House. Mike Christman is nervously-pugnacious, and, after glancing at the document for about a minute, when it was brought to him by a page, he was compelled to confess that he could make nothing of it, and handed it to the Speaker. Judge Pinsch gazed long and earnestly upon the Editorial slip, and then, with a look of pity for my ignorance, said he, "a motion to dispense with the reading will be entertained by the Chair." And so the reading was dispensed with, although the reading will be entertained by the Chair." And so the reading was dispensed with, although the reading will be entertained by the Chair." And so the reading was dispensed with, although

Courier-Journal.

FRIDAY MORNING, JANUARY 7, 1870.

Closing and Arrival of Mails at Louisville Postoffice.

Closes.		Arrives.	
A. M.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.
1:00	1:30	Eastern Mail	7:40	4:20
8:45	3:15	Eastern Mail	9:30	1:00
9:00	3:30	Cincinnati Mail	12:00	7:00
	7:00	Short Line	7:40	1:00
	1:00	St Louis Mail	7:45	8:20
	12:00	Ind. & Chicago	7:30	4:00
		Memphis, Kin. Charleston & N. O. Mail.	9:00	10:30
	11:30	Nash. Chatta. & Georgia Mail		3:00
	12:00	Louisville & Lebanon & Lebanon Branch Mail.		7:30
	12:00	Bardstown, Ky. Mail	9:00	2:30
	1:00	Lex. & Frankfort		5:00
	11:00	& Way Mails	11:15	6:45
9:00		Louisville & Cincinnati Mail(t. Louis and Evans. Mailboat leaves daily at 9:00 a.m.		6:00
	3:30	New Albany & Jeff. Mail		4:00
	1:00	Shelbyville		1:00
	12:00	Lvs. Tr., over and rail	11:15	6:45
	12:00	Louisville Stage.		12:30
	12:00	Mt. Washington ...		12:45
		Lvs. wind's and Fisher.		
		West Point and Shawnee's Dig.		6:00

TELEGRAMS.

Gen. Jeff. C. Davis is expected to arrive at Indianapolis this week.

Broadway, New York, is caving in. Too much underground railway.

Gen. N. P. Banks and A. E. Burnside arrived from Liverpool yesterday by the Java.

Hon. Hugh McCulloch, ex-Secretary of the Treasury, is on a visit at his former residence, Fort Wayne, Ind.

The Tennessee State Convention assembles in Nashville on Monday next. Many members have already arrived.

Senator Yates, of Illinois, who has been spending the holidays at home, in Jacksonville, leaves to-day for Washington.

In Cincinnati, Miss Frederika Duesterbeth has brought a breach of promise suit against Wm. Wehmiller, praying $25,000 damages.

W. L. Pierce, the Cincinnati postoffice clerk, who was tried on the charge of opening registered letters, was yesterday acquitted by the jury without leaving their seats.

A woman sixty years of age has travelled on foot from Montreal to Troy, New York, and is now a charity lodger in one of the stationhouses of the latter city.

The cable message which announced the death of Sir Stafford Northcote was inaccurate. Sir Stafford writes to say that he is still alive, and better authority for the news could hardly be desired.

A private letter from Madrid says that Prim and Serrano are both inclined to favor the sale of Cuba to the United States. Both are fearful of the effect on the Spanish people, who are bitterly opposed to it.

The destruction by fire of the extensive distillery of Wm. Dewees & Co., of St. Louis, on Wednesday, was caused by the bursting of a lamp of oil. The loss on took amounts to $80,000, upon which there was an insurance of $25,500.

A collision between the friends of the opposing candidates in the Parliamentary election for Dungarvon occurred in Ireland, and a riot ensued, but little damage was done. A serious riot at one time seemed imminent.

W. H. Faller, brakesman on a freight train of the Nashville and Decatur railroad, fell from the draft of the caboose of his train one day morning, and had his head crushed by a wheel passing over it. He was from Cairo, and was instantly killed.

Dr. C. S. Manchester and wife were arrested in St. Louis yesterday morning for the alleged kidnapping of Mrs. Ella Sheffield Newell, formerly Burnham, West Massachusetts. Dr. Manchester is the man who attempted to work a miracle on the dead body of Hiskekamp, a few days ago.

Ex-Governor Low, Minister to China, will leave for that country in the steamer Colorado on Saturday. He has received full instructions to carry out faithfully the provisions of the Burlingame treaty, and will be the first to put them in force in the question of protecting American citizens and property in the Celestial Empire.

A vessel arrived in Charleston harbor on Wednesday, reported by the Spanish Minister to be the Cuban privateer Amelia, filled with men, among them a portion of the crew of the Virginius. It is stated that a United States revenue cutter has been ordered to Charleston, and that the United States Marshal on board, to overhaul her.

The bodies of Leonard Crocker and Harry Webb were found in the storm on Sunday night, at Suffolk, N. Y., were frozen together, them on in Crocker's own field. They were covered with ice, sand and driftwood, and had evidently been washed there by the sea which broke over the turnpike road near the lake shore.

On Wednesday night the store of Harding & Brother, dry goods dealers, at Rockville, Parke county, Ind., was entered, the safe broken open and robbed of about three thousand dollars in currency. Some disagreement existed between the firm and the citizens of the town of Rockville and they had withheld their deposits, which accounts for the large sum of money on hand. The burglars left behind a card bearing a sketch, with some other professional appurtenances.

THE COURTS.

LOUISVILLE CITY COURT.

HON. E. S. CRAIG, JUDGE.

Mary Caudell, drunkenness and disorderly conduct; fined $5 and held in $100 for two months.

Georgiana Hunt and Mollie Powell, disorderly conduct; discharged.

John Greene, stealing a buckhorn and hammer from Charles Schreiber; sent to the grand jury.

DECISIONS OF THE COURT OF APPEALS,

Reported Expressly for the COURIER-JOURNAL by DANIEL JAMES,
Attorney at Law, Frankfort.

FRANKFORT, Jan. 5, 1870.

ORDERS.

Allgaier, &c., vs. Scott; guardian, &c., Scott; 2d par cell; damages awarded.

Jones vs. Mockbee; Mockbee, Mc & Co., Edmonson; copy judgment and appeal bond filed, and appeal dismissed.

Miller vs. Roach, Breckinridge; copy judgment and appeal bond filed, and appeal dismissed with damages.

McElroy, &c., vs. Palmer, &c., Washington; cross-appeal granted appellee.

Palmer vs. Simon, Palmer; appearance of appellee entered.

Commonwealth vs. Smith, Louisville city; McCallister's executor vs. Commonwealth, Jefferson;

White, &c., vs. Todd, &c., Shelby;

Rhodes, &c., vs. Ogg, &c., Madison;

King vs. Boles et al., Breckinridge;

Lesford, &c., vs. Smith, Nicholas;

Spalding vs. Alexander, Mendes;

Whitlock, &c., vs. Wilson, &c., Hardin; petitions for rehearing filed.

Metcalfe vs. Stubbs, Campbell; agreement filed, and time extended until the 15th January, 1870, in which to file petitions for rehearing.

Mitchell vs. Hitchcock; motion to dismiss appeal.

Buttes vs. Pearce, Fleming;

Hammons vs. McCord, Fleming;

Maxey, sr., vs. Shrout; Fleming;

Mefford vs. Myer, &c., Fleming;

Stewart vs. Ock-rman and wife, Fleming;

Fleming vs. Wilson, &c., Fleming; submitted on briefs.

FRANKFORT, Jan. 6, 1870.

CAUSES DECIDED.

Higg-bbotham vs. Parish, &c.; Garrard; affirmed.

Fisher vs. Fisher, Bourbon; reversed.

Akin vs. Reed, &c., Boyle; affirmed.

ORDERS.

Stephens, trustee, vs. Bishop, assignee, Ballard;

Hackett & Callaghan vs. Metcalfe, &c., Fayette;

Wilshire, Hinton & Co., vs. Metcalfe, &c., Same;

Security Insurance Company vs. Haupthoff, Jefferson;

Goble vs. Davis, Waller & Co., Lawrence; petitions for rehearing filed.

Bate vs. Commonwealth, Daviess; motion to dismiss appeal.

J. D. White, Esq., was qualified as an attorney at law of this court.

Hallett's executrix vs. Hernancourt; time to reply filed and motion to dismiss overruled.

Sanders vs. Sanders, Gallatin; rule against appellant to prepare cause for hearing by calling of cause at next term.

Hughes vs. Edwards, Gallatin; dismissed, settled.

Maddox vs. Gossam, Trimble; cross appeal granted appellee.

Morris vs. Schollerville Branch Winchester and Red river turnpike company, Clarke;

Herndon, &c., vs. Lancaster, &c., Kranklin;

Lancaster's exec'x vs. Wilson and Franklin;

Lemon vs. Theobald, administrator, &c., Grant;

Coleman's exec'utor vs. Tulley's administrator, Grant;

Jamison, &c., vs. Pettit, Grant;

Morton vs. Berkley, Grant;

Bell vs. Hendrick, &c., Gallatin;

Fearis vs. Blount, Lewis;

Cutting Sam vs. Hord, Lewis;

Ohio River Petroleum Company vs. Young-Lee; submitted on briefs.

McCall vs. Hitchcock; affidavits filed, and motion to dismiss continued, and also cause continued.

Chamber's administrator vs. Drinkard, &c., Grant; continued until next term of this court.

Landram, &c., vs. Bullock, &c., Gallatin; argued by John L. Scott, Esq., for appellants, and submitted.

Smith vs. Robinson, Gallatin; argued by John L. Scott, Esq., for appellant, and submitted.

THE ORPHANS.

Regular Annual Meeting of the Trustees of the German Protestant Orphan Asylum Yesterday—Election of Officers—Reports, &c.

The Trustees and friends of the society under whose auspices the German Protestant Orphan Asylum of this city is conducted held their regular annual meeting at the Rev. Mr. Dauberr's church, corner of Green and Preston streets, yesterday. The different annual reports, which were presented, showed the institution to be in a flourishing condition, the assets amounting to some $40,000 and the debts in hand nearly $4,000. There are thirty-three children now in the asylum, seventeen girls and sixteen boys.

The following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing year:

President—Christian Muehlenkamp.
Vice President—Julius Hinzen.
Secretary—John M. Eggehoff, Jr.
Treasurer—Wm. Goepper.
Directors (elected for two years)—Franz Shoenlaub, Henry Johannsbroecke, Louis Ecksteinkemper, Philip Jacobs, Peter Klipsiel, F. Prante, D. Hallenbeck, Theodore Jacobs, Victor Knoedler and Dietrich Bodemann.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Mr. Louis Dauberr and closed in the same manner by Rev. Mr. Waldmann.

During the day the Ladies' Society, a branch of the above organization, held a meeting at the Asylum and elected the following officers:

President—Mrs. Cawein.
Vice President—Mrs. Eisenmann.
Secretary—Mrs. Song.
Treasurer—Mrs. Julius Dorn.

A beautiful flag, with neat and appropriate inscriptions, was presented to the Ladies' Society by Mr. Alford. The day was one of unusual importance among the Germans generally, for they all seemed to be interested in this laudable enterprise. The asylum is excellently conducted and is an honor to the Germans of the city who have contributed so liberally to its support. Yesterday will be long remembered by them.

THE GENERAL COUNCIL.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING LAST NIGHT.

A New Ordinance Regulating the Election of City Engineer.

A Threatened Rehash of the Whole Connection Question.

Election of Directors of the Gas Company, Physician of the Western District, and Superintendent of the Alms House.

The Councilmen Liable for a $25,000 Bondsman.

Etc., Etc., Etc.

THE LOWER BOARD.

There was a good attendance, with President Doerr on in the chair.

THE BOUNDARY ACT.

A communication was received from the Mayor, stating that he had signed the bill for the purpose of taxing property exempted by the boundary act, and passed the lower house of the Legislature.

ADOPTED.

Also a communication from the same source, informing the Council of the adoption of the ordinance authorizing the $150,000 to the improvement of the Kentucky river.

$25,000.

The Mayor submitted an opinion of the City Attorney, stating that the bonds of the city of the Shelbyville Turnpike Company was not legal and the city not liable therefor. The note was for $25,000, and was given in payment for the part of the turnpike lying within the city limits. The following is a copy of Judge Bullit's opinion:

LOUISVILLE, Jan. 3, 1870.

Jos. H. Bruce, Mayor of the City of Louisville:

DEAR SIR—In compliance with your request, I state my opinion concerning the validity, as against the city, of the notes for $25,000, bearing date April 3, 1869, and payable nine months after date to the shelbyville and Louisville Turnpike Company, which were executed by ex-Mayor Tompgert, in the name of the city, and in pursuance of a ordinance of the General Council, and in consideration of a conveyance to the city, by the said company, of its roads and bridges within the city limits.

When the city charter of 1852 was adopted, the city owned a debt, which, with annual expenditures in excess of its revenues, during a series of years, had gradually accumulated to the sum of several hundred thousand dollars, for the payment of which no provision had been made.

Consequently the credit of the city was in bad repute. Claims against it were hawked about the streets, from one ward council to another, at heavy discounts, its creditors, who needed money, were at the mercy of usurers.

In order to relieve the city credit and prevent their recurrence, and with the hope of establishing and maintaining the credit of the city upon a solid foundation, the Charter Convention of 1870 proposed, and the people of Louisville ratified, and the Legislature of Kentucky enacted, the 6 hundredth section of the charter, for the purpose of limiting the indebtedness of the city then existing, the proceeds of licenses, wharves, market-houses, and notes and bonds then held by the city, etc., for the payment of the debt, and also applied to no other purpose until those liabilities were fully paid, and the faith of the city thus pledged to the public.

Section 8, 2. That the General Council should not "make nor authorize any contract (except by ordinance approved by the Mayor) for the creation of any debt or the payment of interest and principal for the payment of money, or for the issuance of any bonds, or other evidence of indebtedness, or authorize to be issued any bonds, or other evidence of indebtedness, beyond the amount of the proceeds thereof for the current fiscal year, applicable to the payment of such liability, but provision may be made for the payment thereof out of such liability come, made or incurred out of, or become a charge against the city, its property and revenues, for the current fiscal year, which shall subsist in the same by his signature, and the concurrence of the General Council, jointly and severally, who, being present, failed to vote thereon or their votes against the same on the journals."

The notes in question were executed in April, 1869, and are payable in January, 1870. Our fiscal year ends on the 31st of December.

No provision was made for the prment of the an out of the revenues of the year 1869, nor otherwise.

Nor could the Council have provided for the payment of them out of the revenues of that year, without violating that provision of the charter above cited, which forbids the Council from contracting any debt on the part of the city beyond the amount of the revenues for the current fiscal year, applicable to the payment of such debt.

The Board of Common Councilmen, at its last session, had, by ordinance, requested the city Legislature to authorize the city to issue its bonds to the amount to supply the deficit of last year's revenue. That request resulted in the liabilities which existed before the notes in question were executed.

In my opinion those notes are void as against the city; first, because they were for the payment of money at a day beyond the current city year; secondly, because no provision was made for the payment of them.

Very respectfully, J. F. BULLITT,
City Attorney.

A lengthy discussion ensued, in which Messrs. Lone, Walling and Duerson participated, when Mr. Duerson offered a resolution directing the Mayor to pay the notes, and that the Councilmen indorsed in by the members generally, when a call for the previous question brought the bill to a vote on a motion of reference of the question back to the City Attorney, which was carried.

THE CITY ENGINEER.

A communication from the upper council read, and submitted an ordinance which had been passed by the Aldermen regulating the Engineer's office, which was very complicated and the ordinance adopted. It reads as follows:

An ordinance to amend an ordinance, entitled "An ordinance to regulate the City Engineer's department," approved October 28th, 1865.

SECT. 1. *Be it ordained by the General Council of the city of Louisville*, That the ordinance approved October 28th, 1865, entitled "An ordinance to establish an engineer department," etc., etc., is hereby, so amended that the office of city Engineer shall hereafter be filled by election in the month of January, 1870, and in every year thereafter, and said officer shall hold his office for two years from the 1st day of February and until his successor shall have been elected and qualified.

SEC. 2. That said ordinance is also so amended that said Engineer shall reside in this as his usual place of business, by himself or deputy or deputies, and all railroad companies running through the city shall give bond to keep the streets they do good repair.

PETITION.

A petition from P. & M. Pfeifer asking the payment of $2,641 15 for work done on the cut-off bridge was read on the table and ordered on file.

The Council adjourned to meet again next Wednesday evening at 7½ o'clock.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN—OFFICIAL.

THURSDAY EVENING, Jan. 6, 1870.

Present—President Rubel and all the members except Kosers, Story and Mitchell.

The reading of the journal of the proceeding meeting was dispensed with, and the same were approved.

A measure was received from the Mayor, returning the following ordinances, with his objections therein:

An ordinance to dig and wall a well at the intersection of Eleventh cross street and Portland avenue.

An ordinance to dig and wall a well at the intersection of Sixteenth and Gray cross streets.

The messages, with the ordinances, were referred to the street Committee, Western District.

Mr. Dulaney submitted a petition from Wm. E. Glover in regard to the rate of license assessed against his skating rink, which was referred to a special joint committee composed of Messrs. Dulaney and Kirck of this Board.

Mr. Fox submitted a Common Council resolution directing the Mayor to use his influence at Washington to have Louisville made a port of entry, which was adopted.

CLAIMS ALLOWED.

Engineer's Department $174 on account of car fare.

Wolf & Deppinger $9 00 for repairing clocks.

John Cain $136 65, guard's fees.

W. E. George $386 45 for printing.

P. Bannon $700 20 for sewer pipe.

Wm. Bailey $10 00 for services as Sergeant-at-Arms.

G. W. Tiller $10 00 for services as Sergeant-at-Arms.

Wm. Low $725 for repair of streets.

J. W. Story $1,000 for work on engine-house.

Assistant street hands, Western District, $1,840 25, pay for December, 1869.

J. M. Summers $277 50 for repair of pumps.

Ferrell & Sadler $1,255 87 for work on bridge.

Snead & Co. $50 for catch basins.

Mike Bush $129 26 for making crossings.

Bradshaw, Vogdes, & Co. $500 for work on hospital.

James & Matthews $21 75 for work on hospital.

P. Bannon $350 for work on hospital.

A. Marcus $750 for work on jail.

Fire Department $5,766 76, expenses for December, 1869.

Hospital $2,008 05, expenses for December, 1869.

Workhouse $1,838 99, expenses for December, 1869.

T. Crofoot $275 for stone.

J. M. Carson $1,000 or work on hospital.

Barnes, Campbell, & Co. $350 bl for work on hospital.

CLAIMS REFERRED.

L. D. Pearson $1,000 for $329 General expenses.

Anzeiger office $401 85 for printing.

Courier-Journal $401 85 for printing.

Mr. Krack, from the Committee, reported a petition from Maj. W. R. Kinney and others, of the School Board, asking that the Council prevail on the General Assembly to authorize the issue of $100,000 in bonds to pay the old liabilities of the Board of School Trustees which was now committed, and the Committee on Education was asked to the concurrence.

Mr. Dulaney introduced an ordinance to improve a part of the sidewalk on the east side of Seventh street, between Main and Market, which was referred to the Street Committee, Western District.

Mr. Sheridan submitted a Common Council resolution directing the Mayor to advertise for bids for planting the sidewalks with arbors, trees and lamps, which was rej cted by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Sheridan introduced a resolution requesting from the Common Council approving the following Engineer's appointments, which were severally adopted by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Krack, Gilpin, Fox, Crowe, Glas and Sheridan, 6.

NAYS—President Rubel, and Messrs. Barres, Dulaney and Byrne, 4.

Appointment of sidewalk paving on the north side of Market street, from Wenzel to Johnson.

Mr. Kodenbach, chairman of the

Apportionment of the improvement of Eighth street, from Kentucky to Zane street; Giles & Monaghan, contractors.

Mr. Sheridan submitted a resolution approving the action of the Engineer in the matter of grading on the west side of Eighth street, from Gal. Chapin's north line to the first alley north of Market street, in the Western addition, which was adopted, subsequently reconsidered, and referred to the Street Committee, Western District.

Mr. Sheridan submitted a resolution from the Common Council approving the Engineer's apportionment of the improvement of Eighth street, from Gal. Chapin's north line to the first alley north of Market street, in the Western addition, which was adopted, subsequently reconsidered, and referred to the Street Committee, Western District.

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